

proceed to Calendar No. 25, S. 316; further, that if cloture is invoked on the Clarke nomination, at 1:30 p.m., the Senate resume legislative session, all postcloture debate time be considered expired, and the Senate vote on the confirmation of the nomination; finally, if any nominations are confirmed during Thursday's session, the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table and the President be immediately notified of the Senate's actions.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. SCHUMER. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to legislative session and be in a period of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

REMEMBERING JUDITH "JUDY" HEUMANN

Mr. SANDERS. Madam President, I wish to commemorate the life of Judy Heumann, a leader in the disability rights movement, who passed away on March 4.

Judy was an internationally recognized leader in the disability community. She was instrumental in the development and implementation of major disability rights legislation, including the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act—IDEA—the Americans with Disabilities Act, and the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.

She was a true public servant having served as the Assistant Secretary for the Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services in the Department of Education from 1993 to 2001 and as the first Special Advisor for International Disability Rights at the Department of State from 2010 to 2017. In 1974, she helped develop legislation that became the IDEA while working on the Senate Committee on Labor and Public Welfare—now the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, which I am proud to chair.

Judy became known as the "mother of the disability rights movement" when she fought to implement the Rehabilitation Act. Her activism was a defining moment in the disability and civil rights movement paving the way for the future legislation.

Judy changed the world for the one in four Americans living with a disability and one in six individuals with disabilities around the world. I join the disability community in honoring her contributions to the disability and civil rights movement.

Judy was feisty in her many roles fighting for disability rights. And she

will be remembered for the impacts her advocacy made to improve the lives of people with disabilities.

May the memory of Judy Heumann be for a blessing.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

RECOGNIZING IDAHO'S COMMUNITY COLLEGES

• Mr. CRAPO. Madam President, along with my colleagues Senator JIM RISCH, Representative MIKE SIMPSON and Representative RUSS FULCHER, we honor Idaho's community colleges in recognition of Community College Month and commend them for contributing to the success of Idahoans.

The designation of April as Community College Month by the American Association of Community Colleges and the Association of Community College Trustees provides an opportunity to acknowledge the important role Idaho's community colleges have in enhancing Idahoans' quality of life and contributing to Idaho's economic growth.

Idaho's community colleges prepare young people and adults throughout our great State for postsecondary education, successful careers, and productive lives. We are fortunate to have community colleges working hard to fuel the ingenuity and skill to advance students to Idaho's 4-year institutions and provide dual enrollment opportunities for students pursuing advanced learning while in high school. According to statistics from the Idaho State Board of Education, nearly 142,000 dual credits were earned at our 2-year institutions in fiscal year 2022, meaning community colleges are giving Idaho high school students considerable opportunities to kickstart their higher educations.

They also help keep pace with an ever-changing job market as they help grow the skills needed to prepare students to meet the requirements of progressing in Idaho's workforce. The Idaho State Board of Education found a notable 75 percent of graduates from 2-year institutions are employed in Idaho 1 year after graduation, and Idaho residents with an associate's degree earn \$41,197 more than those without a degree.

Our State is brimming with innovators and cutting-edge businesses. Community colleges are central partners in our communities fostering ideas and helping to meet the needs of area students and small businesses. Thank you to Idaho's community colleges for the important role they play in fueling Idaho achievement and growth.●

REMEMBERING J.E. JAKE FISHER

• Mr. SCHMITT. Madam President, I rise today to honor the life and memory of T.E. "Jake" Fisher, of Portageville, MO.

Jake Fisher was well known for his time as director of the University of Missouri's Delta Research Center, in Portageville, MO, which was renamed the "Fisher" Delta Research, Extension, and Education Center in Jake's honor after his retirement in 2011. Jake began his career at the Delta Research Center in 1961 and worked his way up from farm worker to director by 1989, until his retirement after more than 50 years with the University of Missouri. To commemorate Jake's service to the University of Missouri, the College of Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources created the T.E. Jake Fisher Scholarship Fund, to continue Jake's huge legacy of encouraging students from the Bootheel region to attend Mizzou.

Jake's devotion to his community and the State of Missouri will never be forgotten. He served on numerous boards over the years and maintained connections with folks across the State. One of his most passionate roles was president of the Pemiscot-Dunklin Electric Cooperative Board of Directors, a position he held until his retirement in September of 2022. He also held positions on the boards of the M&A Electric Power Cooperative and the Associated Electric Cooperative.

Jake was a fine man that will forever be remembered for possessing a heart of gold and an enormous friendly presence. I had the distinct honor of meeting Jake at the Annual Fisher Delta Research Center Field Days, an event where thousands of guests from across the State of Missouri gather to celebrate agriculture, Southeast Missouri, and life-long learning. I ask my Senate colleagues to join me in honoring the life of Mr. Jake Fisher, and I offer my sincerest condolences to his wife Shelly, daughter Stacey, and remaining family and friends during this difficult time of mourning.●

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-676. A communication from the Acting Chief of the Office of Regulatory Affairs, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Factoring Criteria for Firearms with Attached 'Stabilizing Braces'" (RIN1140-AA55) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 27, 2023; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-677. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting a legislative proposal entitled "Authority to Permit Continued Presence in the United States"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-678. A communication from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "General Schedule Locality Pay Areas" (RIN3206-AO40) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February